

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE FOR WOMEN (AUTONOMOUS), VISAKHAPATNAM  
V SEMESTER **BIOTECHNOLOGY** TIME: 3 Hrs/ Week  
BTH 5702 (3) **TECHNIQUES IN NURSERY DEVELOPMENT** Max. Marks: 100  
(Skill enhancement course (Elective))

W.e.f 20AH batch

**OBJECTIVES:** To enable the students to –

- Get awareness on establishment of nursery and related SOP's
- Acquire the necessary equipments and economized administrative principles
- Obtain the sustainable methodologies for sowing and plant let propagation
- Adopt the effective practices for seasonal plantations and to control measures to weed and pests
- Gain comprehensive knowledge on various grafting technology

**COURSE OUTCOMES: Students will**

- **CO1:** Understand different types of nurseries
- **CO2:** Identify various facilities required to set up of a nursery
- **CO3:** Understand expertise related to various practices in a nursery
- **CO4:** Adopt the efficient SOP's on seasonal plantation and their management
- **CO5:** Acquire skills to get an employment or to become an entrepreneur

**UNIT-I: Introduction to Nursery**

1. Definition, objectives and importance
2. Basic requirements for a nursery layout and components of a good nursery
3. Types of nurseries
4. Bureau of Indian standards (BIS – 2008) related to nursery

**UNIT – II: Nursery Inputs**

1. Tools, implements and containers.
2. Nursery media – Electricity, equipment and machinery management
3. Types of nursery beds and their preparations.
4. Precautions and maintenance of nursery beds

**UNIT – III: Seeds and Propagules**

1. Selection of seed and different sowing methods
2. Use of different plant parts for vegetative propagation to raise nursery
3. Different techniques of vegetative propagation

**UNIT – IV: Management Practices**

1. Routine seasonal operations in a nursery
2. Supply of water, nutrients and removal of weeds
3. Identification of pests and diseases, control & prevention methods

## **UNIT V: Grafting Techniques**

1. Introduction to grafting, definition, types and tools for grafting
2. Steps involved in simple, splice graft, tongue graft, whip graft, cleft graft and wedge graft
3. Grafting of horticultural & floricultural crops and applications

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